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Containing the freſheſt Advices Foreign and Domeſtick.

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Et regat iratos, & amet peccare timentes. Hor.

Friend Whitmarſh,

I HAVE heard by the Hearing of the Ear, yea thy Friends have told me, that in the Pride and Vanity of thine Heart thou intermeddleſt in Things which concern thee not, and aſſumeſt a Character whereunto thy Talents are not equal, to wit, that of Cenſor and Corrector of the Writings which thy Subſcribers ſend unto thee to be printed.

I pretend not, Friend, to be any Judge in the Affairs of lettered Men: Nevertheleſs I think myſelf in ſome Meaſure touched by this Report concerning thee, foraſmuch as the ſame hath been an Obſtacle to the Publication of ſundry things, which peradventure would have contributed greatly to the Welfare of this my native Land. Wherefore I beſeech thee to ſuffer a Word of Exhortation. I, for my part, from the Specimens I have ſeen of thy printing, and thy ready Application to Buſineſs entertained very advantagious Thoughts of thee. And albeit I have not ſeen thee, have ſpoken many Things in thy Commendation: But, if the Things reported concerning thee are true; ſhall I praiſe thee in theſe Things? I praiſe thee not.

What wouldeſt thou ſay of a Stage or Hackney Coachman, who immediately on thy entring his Vehicle ſhould deſpoil thee of thine own comely Apparel that ſuited both thy Profeſſion and Humour, and oblige thee to put on a curcumforanean Fools Coat? Or what wouldeſt thou think of a Coffee-Houſe Keeper, who inſtead of diſpoſing things convenient for the Entertainment of Company ſhould take his Seat among them, and let nothing paſs in the Converſation without his Correction? The Application involveth no great Difficulty neither is the Anſwer ſo remote, as to need long ſearching after.

But peradventure thou wilt ſay: That in a Country ſteril of Literature, and where learned Men do not abound, what thou haſt done is no more than neceſſary. I am of Opinion that this Notion hath induced this erroneous Conduct of thine. It hath been a Notion which Paſſangers have brought along with them from the other Side of the Flood, that the Inhabitants of this Land are blinded with Ignorance of whatſoever cometh into the Commerce of Life; and that therefore their own One Eye gave them a Right to preſide among the Blind. But had thy Curioſity prompted thee to enquire; very recent Hiſtory would have ſhewn thee that ſuch Men have found their Error, and ſeldom failed of being ridiculous and deſpicable in the Sight of thoſe very Men, whom in the fulneſs of their Vanity they did contemn. Wherefore I councel thee to look about thee and conſider that the Britiſh Colonies on this ſide of the Flood are peopled from the moſt poliſhed Regions of the European Continent; That here in particular we have a great Conflux of Strangers from the moſt conſiderable Merchantile Countries on the other Side the Flood; That, albeit we are few in Number, nevertheleſs we have here the Politicks and Regimen of larger Societies in Minature. Theſe things if thou wilt attentively weigh in the Ballance of Reaſon and Conſideration will give thee to underſtand that there is no great Probability of the Stature of thy Underſtanding ſo far having the Aſcendant of that of thy Correſpondents as *Steeles* or *Addiſons* had over that of the lower Claſſes of their's; and that therefore Airs that were ſupportable in *them* will be egregiouſly vain in *thee*,

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What I think meet for the to endeavour, Friend, is to approve thy ſelf a good Printer, by being litterally correct, And in caſe thou ever ſhouldeſt interpoſe thy Skill in regard to Slips purely litteral and punctual, let it be ſparingly and with much Caution; nor ever preſume to concern thy ſelf with the Grammar, Sentiment, or Style of the Writer. For that the Reward of ſuch thy Temerity will in all peradventure be that of the Poetaſter who pittying the Lot of Humanity in the condition of the antiquated Bard *Shakeſpear* declared with a Countenance replete with Indications of Compaſſion that it ſenſibly touched him when he beheld the Fortunes of one who in his day was poſſeſſed of a great Share of Reputation; that it would be an Act of filial Piety in one of the Laureat tribe to beſtow on the old Patriarch a more becoming Dreſs, nor ſuffer him to mourn perpetually under the Injuries of Time; That if no body elſe prevented him, he had thoughts of doing that good Office himſelf unleſs hindered by Affairs of the laſt importance to Mankind. Ha, ha, he.

I farther councel and adviſe thee, friend, That for a while thou ſuſpend that part or branch of thy cenſorial Authority that regardeth Licenſing of Papers ſent unto thee, or ſuppreſſing them as to thee ſeemeth meet; for albeit the meaning of a Paper may not be open to thy Ken, the Author may have ſuch as is praiſe worthy, and to thee alone, by reaſon of thy late arrival here, inſcrutable. however what thou haſt reaſon to believe may be offenſive to the Virgin Ear, may propagate notions prejudicial to Religion, Government, good neighbourhood and good Manners, if thou ſuppreſs ſuch till thou haſt Advice, thou wilt do well *Farewell*

F. C.

P. S. Advice never did hurt when taken, whatever hand it came from.

May 18, 1732.

Having before had Occaſion to declare, that the Printer is no otherwiſe concerned in the Direction of this Paper, than barely in the Buſineſs of the Preſs, we could not think that any one would have taken this indirect and unhandſome Method of giving us the Lie; but, as the Writer's Alluſions to the *Hackney Coachman* and *Coffee-Houſe Keeper*, are a Continuance of the ſame complaiſant Strain, we gueſs he is as little acquainted with good Manners, as good Grammar, Style or Sentiment; in all which, we doubt not, but his Deficiency will be obvious to every Reader; and which, with the ſeveral Miſtakes both in Spelling and Pointing, (which we have deſired the Printer to be very exact in with the Original) might ſurely give room enough for the Exerciſe of the cenſorial Authority he complains of; if out of the abundant Pride and Vanity of our Hearts we looked not upon it as below our Correction. However, we aſſure our Correſpondents, that whenever Complaint, or Advice comes addreſſed to ourſelves directly, and introduced with tolerable Candour and good Nature, we ſhall readily accept the one, and endeavour for the future to remove the Cauſe of the other. ***

FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

VIENNA, Feb. 2.

SOME Conferences have been held in the Palace on the Affairs of the Iſland of Corſica, wherein it is aſſured a Reſolution was taken to make the neceſſary Efforts to oblige the Rebels to ſubmit to the Republick of Genoa, and for that Purpoſe to ſend thither a ſufficient Body of Troops under the Command of Prince Lewis of Wirtemberg, who will be accompanied by the Prince of Culmback, and General Smettan.——— The Turkiſh Conſul had lately an Audience of Prince Eugene, to declare to him, that the Reports ſpread of the Grand Seignior's Deſign to make War againſt the Emperor, or any of his Allies, were without Foundation; his Sublime Highneſs having nothing more at heart than to live in a perfect Harmony with his Imperial Majeſty, and the other Chriſtian Potentates.

Amſterdam, Feb. 15. We have Advice from Marſeilles that they are hard at work in equipping 5 Men of War, 3 Fireſhips, & 2 Bomb Veſſels, which are to appear before Algiers, about the End of April next, under the Command of M. du Goay Trouin, who, upon his Arrival before the Port, is to demand an Aſſembly of the Divan, and proper Satisfaction for the Inſults committed upon the French Flag; and further to preſcribe to the Divan in what Manner the King his Maſter will have Satisfaction made him; & in caſe of Refuſal, to bombard the City, and fire the Ships in the Port.——From Franckfort, that the French Troops on the Frontiers keep quiet in their Quarters; but that Orders were lately come to fill the Magazines of all the Frontier Places with Artillery,

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Ammunition, and Proviſions.----From Peters-burgh, that the Empreſs has ſent Orders to ſeveral Regiments to defile towards the Frontiers of Poland and Courland.----And from Venice, That on the 30th paſt an Expreſs was diſpatched for Vienna with the Inſtrument of the Acceſſion of the Republick to the Guaranty of the Pragmatick Sanction; the Emperor having engaged on his part to defend the Republick againſt all the Attacks or Enterprizes of the Turks, or any other Potentates.

Hamburgh, Feb. 18. They are full of great Expectations in Sweden from the Commerce they have lately undertaken into the Eaſt-Indies, and Propoſals have been made to them for admitting Foreigners into their Company. The Eaſt-India Goods are like to be very cheap in the North; for the Merchandizes brought by the Apollo, which lately arrived in this Port from the Eaſt-Indies, carrying the Pruſſian Flag, are to be ſold here; and another Ship arrived from Bengal at Bergen in Norway with the Imperial Flag, is taking in freſh Proviſions, intending to ſail for Lubec, where the Cargo is to be ſold. This is a way of trading to the Eaſt-Indies, which deſerves the Conſideration of thoſe Nations which have ſpent ſo much Blood and Treaſure for opening a Trade into thoſe Countries.

LONDON, *Feb.* 12.

Laſt Week a Youth about 17 Years of Age, belonging to the Grammar School at Weſtminſter, attempted to poiſon himſelf, by taking above 100 Drops of Ladanum; but the ſame being diſcovered immediately, and all poſſible Means uſed, there are now Hopes of his Recovery. It is ſaid the Cauſe of his attempting his Life, was his being ſlighted by a young Lady of about 15 Years of Age, to whom he had made his Addreſſes. *It appears that his Love was ſerious, which ſeldom or ever ſucceeds with the Fair Sex.*

They write from Leghorn of the 2d Inſtant N. S. that according to private Letters from Mequinez, the Duke de Riperda continues his Reſidence at the Court of Morocco, where he is entertained with a great deal of Diſtinction, the Emperor having a particular Eſteem for him, and being mightily pleaſed with his Converſation, wherein he finds him well skilled in all Sorts of Affairs, and has allowed a conſiderable Sum for his daily Maintenance, 'Tis given out, that the ſaid Duke has adviſed that Prince to declare War againſt the King of Spain, and to raiſe an Army of 120,000 Men, in order to retake the Conqueſts made by the Spaniards in Africa, and afterwards to make an Invaſion in Spain. If all this be true, that Duke will make good what 'tis ſaid he told a Friend of his in Holland, a little before his Departure, towards the end of Sept. laſt, that tho' he was neglected and ſlighted, he would in a ſhort time make as great a Noiſe in the World as he had done ſome Years ago Among the Retinue he brought along with him from Holland is, his little Spaniſh Miſtreſs, who was formerly a Servant to the Governor of the Caſtle of Segovia, and aſſiſted him to make his Eſcape.

Extract of a Letter *from* Cadiz, *dated* Feb. 5.

We are aſſured that there has been a Propoſal made to the Miniſter here, in relation to the Privileges the S. Sea Company have of ſending annual Ships to America; which is, (as the ſaid Trade has been found deſtructive to the Merchants, and as the Court is willing to favour the Engliſh Nation preferable to any other) That if the Company reſign their Right of ſending a Ship with the Flota and Galleons, the Court agrees to diminiſh the Duty on the Importation of Engliſh Manufactures 2 or 3 per Cent. leſs than uſually paid; Therefore 'tis to be hoped, for the general Good of us all, that this Propoſal may take, as it will be of an infinite Benefit to the Nation, and revive our languiſhing Trade in this Country.----A Flota is proclaim'd to depart in June next.

By a private Letter from Seville, dated Feb. 20. N. S. we learn, that the Engliſh Commiſſaries had met thoſe of Spain for the firſt Time, to adjuſt the Differences of the Merchants of both Nations, and hath agreed to meet twice every Week to ſettle the ſame; and the Writer adds, that both Sides ſeem in earneſt, and it is thought they would at laſt finiſh what they were ſent about.

CHARLESTOWN, *June* 3.

By His Excellency ROBERT JOHNSON, *Eſq; Governor and Commander in Chief, in and over His Majeſty's Province of* South-Carolina.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS the General Aſſembly of this Province ſtands adjourned to Tueſday the 13th Day of June Inſtant, and the preſent Seaſon of the Year rendring it very inconvenient for ſeveral of the Members to attend at that Time, I do therefore (by and with the Advice and Conſent of His Majeſty's Council) Prorogue the ſaid General Aſſembly, to Tueſday the 12th Day of September next, then to ſit for the Diſpatch of Buſineſs.

By his Excellency's Command,
J. Hammerton, Secr.

Given under my Hand and the Great Seal of this his Majeſty's Province, the 2d *Day of* June, *and in the* 5th *Year of his Majeſty's Reign, and in the Year of our Lord* 1732.

GOD Save the King.

R. JOHNSON.

The Head Men of ſeveral Indian Towns, in the Creek Nation, having applied for Leave to come down to Charleſtown to pay their Reſpects to the Governor, his Excellency thought proper to comply with their Requeſt, and they accordingly being expected on Thurſday, his Excellency gave Directions to the Colonel of the Troop of Horſe, and the Captains of the 2 Town Companies, to march with their reſpective Companies and Troop ſome little diſtance out of Town to meet them; which Directions being